DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2002 8:30 A.M.

Pursuant to the proper notification, the Durham City Council held a special meeting on the above date and time in the Committee Room at City Hall with the following members present: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cheek and Council Members Best, Clement, Cole-McFadden and Stith. Absent: Council Member Edwards.

Also present: City Manager Marcia Conner, City Attorney Henry Blinder and Deputy City Clerk Linda Bratcher.

Mayor Bell called the special meeting to order outlining the purpose.

MOTION by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Cole-McFadden to go into a closed session to discuss a personnel matter regarding the performance of a Council employee pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6) was approved at 8:35 a.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cheek and Council Members Clement, Cole-McFadden and Stith. Noes: None. Absent at time of Vote: Council Member Best. Absent: Council Member Edwards.

[OPEN SESSION]

MOTION by Mayor Pro Tempore Cheek seconded by Council Member Stith to go into open session was approved at 10:10 a.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cheek and Council Members Best, Clement, Cole-McFadden and Stith. Noes: None. Absent: Council Member Edwards.

Mayor Bell noted the City Manager Conner explained the process relative to the search for a police chief, Council raised questions that were answered and the Manager indicated by Wednesday that she will notify the City Council and the public on what her next step would be in the selection of a police chief.

At this time during the meeting, the media and press asked questions.

No action was taken by the City Council.

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the special meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Linda E. Bratcher Deputy City Clerk